The Mission of Adult Protective Services

To assist elderly and dependent adults to maintain their health and safety in the community in the least restrictive environment.

The APS Program

The Adult Protective Services program (APS), is part of the Placer County Health and Human Services, Adult System of Care Division.

APS is mandated by law to investigate reports of abuse, APS will make contact with the alleged victim, offer referrals and intervene when appropriate and necessary.

Referrals offered may include:

- Meals on Wheels
- Transportation
- Medical / Behavioral Health Services
- Legal Aid
- Veterans Services
- Caregiver/family support

Who Do We Serve

Placer County Residents who are:

- Age 65 and older (Elder)
- A dependent adult whose physical or mental limitations restrict their ability to carry out normal activities or to protect their rights: including persons with physical or developmental disabilities or whose physical or mental abilities have been diminished by age.

SomeTypes of Abuse May Include:

Physical/Emotional

- Physical abuse, or bodily harm
- Sexual assault
- Misuse of restraints
- Assaultive behavior
- Coercion
- Intimidation

Financial

Financial abuse is using the elder's money or assets contrary to the elder's wishes, needs, or best interests—or for the abuser's personal gain.

This could include theft or misuse of money and credit cards, or forcing an elder/ dependent adult to sign documents.

Neglect

Failure of a caregiver to provide basic needs.

Failure of an elder or dependent adult to provide for his/her own basic needs.

- Food, water, shelter, personal care,
- Medical care, misuse of prescribed medications, personal safety

<u>Isolation</u>

- Preventing an elder or dependent adult from receiving mail, phone calls, or having contact with family, friends or concerned persons.
- Moving an individual to another location against his/her will.

PLACER COUNTY RESOURCES

☐ Legal Services of Northern CA
800-660-6107 ☐ Veterans Affairs
800-827-1000
☐ Senior Health Insurance (HICAP) 800-4340222
☐ In Home Supportive Services 916-787-8860
☐ Placer County:MediCal & Food Stamps 916-784-6000 888-385-5160
☐ Peace for Families 916-773-7273
Roseville-Auburn & Surrounding Areas
☐ Seniors First Meals-on-Wheels/Senior Café Transportation—Health Express Housing Options Home Modification Safety Repairs 800-878-9222 530-889-9500
□ Placer Independent Resources (PIRS) 530-885-6100
☐ Senior Peer Counseling 530-886-3413
Tahoe Area
☐ Sierra Senior Services Meals-on-Wheels /Community Dining Health and Wellness Center Resource Referrals & Library Assistance Fun Activities with socialization 530-550-7600
☐ Project Mana (Hunger Relief) 775-298-0008
☐ T.A.R.T. (Transportation) 530-550-1212

☐ N Tahoe Family Resource 530-546-0952

ANYONE CAN MAKE A REPORT

Any concerned person may report adult abuse/neglect and may do so anonymously (W&I Code §15631).

- Family member, neighbor, friend
- Anyone concerned about the health and safety of an elder or dependent adult.
- · Mandated Reporters such as:

Health Practitioners
Paid or Unpaid Caregivers
Clergy
Law Enforcement
Financial Institutions
Money transmitters

APS does not reveal the source of any abuse report.

Reporters are often the best collaborators with APS in making protective intervention planning to change the undesirable situation.

WHAT TO REPORT:

Observation or suspicion of physical/sexual abuse, neglect, financial abuse, abduction, abandonment, isolation and self neglect.

To Report Abuse:

Call Placer County

24 Hours - 7 Days a week.

(916) 787-8860

Or

1-888-886-5401

See web page:

www.placer.ca.gov/ under Health Services choose Adult Services then Adult Protective Services

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ADULT SYSTEM OF CARE